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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant:** Woodruff et al. ) **Examiner:** Shrestha, Bijendra K.  
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## Title: ZERO PREMIUM EQUITY PARTICIPATING SECURITIES

## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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February 20, 2009

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 20, 2008 ("the Office Action") in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants respond as follows, wherein:

**Claim Amendments** begin on page 2; and

**Remarks** begin on page 6.